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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 May 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 14-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 14-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____ 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. Claims 14-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Creamer et al. (U.S. Patent 6,028,917).

Regarding claim 14, Creamer et al. teach the system for provisioning extended telephone services such as: extended call forwarding, extended call waiting, extended caller ID, and extended fax transfer, on authorized base accounts by authorized users. Parameters relevant to a standard telephone service can be modified/updated ("refreshed") to a telephone line associated with a given base account by an authorized end user via remote access, for example, use computers linked to AIN intelligent through the Internet or web in which an authorized user requests a service to modify his/her account, based on the request, starts providing the service to the user ("first process") and terminates the service when a predetermined condition is fulfilled (Fig. 7d, 128 - process ends - and col. 14, line 61 through col. 16, line 1). Furthermore, Creamer et al. teach if the user is still connected to the web server, the processes will repeat updating ("refreshing") reads on claimed "the service is refreshed when the first process wishes the service to continued and when requesting a service, the first process informs the second process that the service request concerns a service to be refreshed" (col. 15, lines 1-9).

Creamer et al. do not suggest saving service parameters given by the first process in the service request.

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that in any communications network or multiprocessor systems environment there are always communications between processes, for example, modify/update/refresh parameters to a standard telephone services; and saving service parameters given by the user in the service request, for example, user account ID, service parameters.... for the purpose of repeating / refreshing services.

Regarding claim 15, Creamer et al. teach the service parameters (such as user account ID, service parameters) given by the first process are saved, and when the second process is started (repeat the processes starting at Fig. 7a if the user is still connected to the web server), it provides a service to the first process in accordance with the stored parameters (col. 15, lines 1-9).

Claim 16 is rejected for the same reasons as discussed above with respect to claims 14 and 15.

Regarding claims 17 and 19, Creamer et al. teach the repeat processing ("the service is refreshed") will continue until the user disconnects from the web server and terminates the process (col. 15, lines 1-9) reads on claimed "the service is refreshed at predetermined time intervals".

Regarding claim 18, Creamer et al. do not teach the service is removed in a failure and/or overload situation occurring in the telephone exchange system. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made that during the remote accessing to modify user's account, there are possibilities that communication link failure will occurred, then the service will be removed.

Response to Arguments

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3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 14-19 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Low (U.S. Patent 6,282,281) teach method of providing telecommunications services.

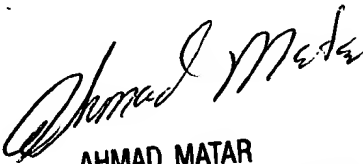
5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quynh H. Nguyen whose telephone number is 703-305-5451. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday from 6:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ahmad Matar, can be reached on (703) 305-4731. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9314.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-305-4700.

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